



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 138**

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House Bill No. 7200

*House of Representatives, March 26, 2007*

The Committee on General Law reported through REP. STONE of the 9th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

## **AN ACT CONCERNING MINORS AND BODY PIERCING KITS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 19a-92g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

3 (a) No person may perform body piercing on an unemancipated  
4 minor under eighteen years of age without the written permission of  
5 the minor's parent. For purposes of this subsection, "body piercing"  
6 means piercing or creating a channel through any part of the body  
7 other than the ear lobe for the purpose of inserting a decorative object,  
8 and "ear lobe" means the lower portion of the auricle having no  
9 cartilage.

10 (b) No person under eighteen years of age may purchase a body  
11 piercing kit without the written permission of such person's parent.

12 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) Any municipal health authority established under chapter  
13 368e and any district department of health established under chapter

- 14 368f may, within its available resources, enforce the provisions of this  
15 section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	19a-92g

**GL**      *Joint Favorable*

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### ***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:***

<b>Municipalities</b>	<b>Effect</b>	<b>FY 08 \$</b>	<b>FY 09 \$</b>
Various Municipalities	Revenue Gain	Potential Minimal	Potential Minimal

### ***Explanation***

It is anticipated that local health authorities will undertake enforcement activities to the extent that local resources allow. A potential minimal revenue gain associated with locally imposed fines would also be expected.

### ***The Out Years***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:***

<b>Municipalities</b>	<b>Effect</b>	<b>FY 10 \$</b>	<b>FY 11 \$</b>	<b>FY 12 \$</b>
Various Municipalities	Revenue Gain	Potential Minimal	Potential Minimal	Potential Minimal

**OLR Bill Analysis****HB 7200*****AN ACT CONCERNING MINORS AND BODY PIERCING KITS.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill prohibits a person under age 18 from purchasing a body piercing kit without written parental permission. It authorizes municipal health authorities and district health departments to enforce this provision within available resources.

The law already prohibits anyone from performing body piercing on an unemancipated minor under age 18 without written parental permission. It defines "body piercing" as creating a channel through any part of the body, except the ear lobe, to insert a decorative object.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2007

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

General Law Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 19 Nay 0 (03/08/2007)